HON'BLE SHRI G.S. SINGHVI, THE CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE G.V. SEETHAPATHY

WRIT PETITION No. 14543 OF 2006

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Between:

Umma Reddy Vijay Bhaskar Reddy

……Petitioner

And

The State Election Commission,
Rep. by its Secretary, 3rd Floor,
Budha Bhavan, M.G. Road,
Secunderabad – 500 003
and two others

……Respondents

:: ORDER ::

Counsel for the Petitioner : Sri K. Ananda Rao

Counsel for Respondent No.1 : Sri V.V. Prabhakar Rao

Counsel for Respondent Nos.2 and 3: Government Pleader for Panchayat Raj

Dated: 20-07-2006

Per G.S. SINGHVI, CJ

In this petition, the petitioner has prayed for issue of a direction to the respondents to include his name in the voters list and allow him to participate in the ensuing election to the Gram Panchayat of Village Purimetla.

The petitioner has averred that his name was arbitrarily excluded from the electoral roll prepared in terms of Section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and the application made by him on 07-07-2006 to the Revenue Divisional Officer has not been decided.

We have heard learned counsel for the parties. A look at the xerox copy of the receipt produced by the petitioner (page 11 of the paper book) shows that it does not bear the signature of the officer who is said to have received the application. On our asking,

Sri K. Ananda Rao, Advocate for the petitioner produced the original of the document filed at page 11 of the paper book. The same shows that somebody has affixed seal on some document described as receipt. The original does not bear the signature of any authority. This gives an impression that the petitioner has concocted this document for laying his claim for inclusion of name in the voters list. In our opinion, on the basis of such document, the petitioner's prayer for inclusion of his name in the voters list cannot be entertained.

For the reasons aforestated, the petition is dismissed.

G.S.SINGHVI, CJ

G.V. SEETHAPATHY,J

20-07-2006
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